

Town and County News

Gathered in And Around Town By Our Resident And County Reporters.

Harman Newberry, Esq., of Bland county, was seen on our streets Tuesday.

Two more additions were made to Bluegrass Lodge, I.O.O.F., on Tuesday night.

Mr. Hobart Miller, of Coeburn Va., was in town Tuesday attending county court.

Mrs. W. P. Nye still continues painfully ill, but is much better than she was a few days ago.

Mr. W. K. Brooks, of Glade Spring, was in Tazewell on Tuesday and yesterday on business.

Mr. F. P. Landon has gone east on a business trip as the representative of Haley Ink Co.

Dr. R. D. Hainford attended Smyth County Circuit Court on Monday and returned home Tuesday.

Old Fellowship is on a boom at Richards. Banner Lodge now has a membership of seventy-seven.

Miss Maude Moss, of Burke's Garden, has been visiting at Mr. Tobe Greener's for several days this week.

Dr. J. W. Kelly, of Big Stone Gap, was in town Monday and Tuesday on a visit to his former home and friends.

It will soon be time to commence planting your garden. Be certain to plant first-class seed. Peery & Dodd can supply you.

Miss Nannie Francis, of White Gate, Giles Co., Va., was the guest of Mrs. A. P. Gillespie for several days the first of the week.

Mr. Chapman Alderson has located at Pocahontas for the practice of law. We wish him great success in his new field of labor.

Mr. John B. Crawford, architect, is now preparing a plan for the cottage residence of Mr. Jeff Ward, which will be built this spring.

Mrs. W. L. Britts, who has been in very delicate health for some months past, is now greatly improved, and is able to go about the house again.

We call attention to the advertisement of the new concern of Harrison & Gillespie Bros., and welcome it among the patrons of the REPUBLICAN.

The new clothing firm of Harman & Bottimore is receiving its Spring goods, and will let the readers of the REPUBLICAN hear something about them.

The crowd which attended court on Tuesday was not a large one, but every person we spoke to appeared to be cheerful as to the business outlook.

We regret to hear that our friend Hon. W. G. Mustard has been very sick, but from a message received from him we are glad to announce that he is much better.

Burpee has established a fine reputation for his garden seeds. You will find them of every variety at Peery & Dodd's.

Mr. J. O. Young announces himself a candidate for constable for Jeffersonville District. Mr. Young has a great many friends who, no doubt, will look after his interests in the coming election.

A number of our subscribers responded to our call on Tuesday for payment of their subscriptions, for which we return them our warmest thanks. There are a good many more precincts to hear from.

Della, the little ten year old daughter of Mr. G. W. Reynolds, who lives near Pleasant Hill in this county, died on the 5th inst. from some brain affliction. We are told the little girl was very bright.

Mr. R. Jeff Ward has purchased a very desirable lot of Col. H. C. Alderson, situated on Mechanics Avenue, near the residence of Dr. Thompson, and will erect a dwelling thereon in the spring or early summer.

Mrs. S. M. B. Coulter, on Sunday, received a telegram announcing the death of her mother, Mrs. Watts, in Pulaski county. By request of the deceased, her remains were taken to Richmond and buried in the beautiful Hollywood Cemetery.

The Illinois Steel Company has placed orders with companies on Elkhorn for 200,000 tons of coke, which will be delivered between now and the 1st of September, next. This looks very much like a revival of business in that line.

Peery & Dodd have a full line of Garden Seeds from the celebrated firm of David Landreth & Sons. Their seeds are always new and certain to come up. It don't pay to buy old and indifferent seeds.

We are told that the road through Plum Creek Gap has about ceased to be a road. It has never been a good road. We have known it for over forty years and never saw it in good condition. It ought to be macadamized during the coming summer.

Mr. T. W. Landon left for Pocahontas on Sunday afternoon to enter the service of the Pocahontas Drug Company. He commenced work Monday morning. Mr. Landon is a most capable druggist and we wish him great success in his new field of labor.

Greever & Gillespie, attorneys, have moved their office to the new Gillespie building, and occupy the rooms on the first floor, west side of the building.

On the fourth Thursday in May an election will be held at Richards for town Council and officers. There will be no political lines drawn in the contest, but we hear the issue of "license or no license" to sell liquor in the town will enter largely into the fight.

From a notice published elsewhere in our columns, a meeting of the citizens of the town is called, to be held at the court house on next Saturday, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating a municipal ticket to be voted for at the approaching election in May.

A letter has been received from Mr. A. C. Lilly, who went to Cincinnati last week, announcing that he had stood a successful examination, and would go to New York in a few days, where he will enter the service of the U. S. government as a member of a military band.

We have splendid fresh Onion Sets, just from Philadelphia, of the Silver Skin and Yellow Danvers varieties. You can grow nicer, sweeter onions from them than you can from the other kinds. Peery & Dodd.

Serious alarm was felt last week from the weather being so mild. It was feared the fruit trees might bloom too early and frosts come and destroy the fruit, as has been done in most of the recent years. It looks now like the frosty nights will keep the buds back for several weeks.

Messrs. Chapman & Hurt, the active insurance men of Tazewell, have secured all the insurance on the property of the Alkali Company, at Saltville. They have written four hundred thousand dollars of risks for the company. This speaks well for the energy of Chapman & Hurt, and also for the companies they represent.

Mr. J. N. Neel, of Thompson Valley, left last week with his family, consisting of his wife and six children, for New Hampton, Mo., where for the present he will take up his abode until he can decide where he will permanently locate. We are sorry to see good men like Mr. Neel leaving Tazewell, but wish him great success.

Mr. Geo. Kelly, of this place, and Mr. Henry Kelly, of Burke's Garden, have gone to Rich Valley, Smyth county, with Mr. J. R. Crockett, real estate agent, of Wytheville, to look at the farm of H. Harman, Esq. If pleased with it they are likely to become purchasers. It is very fertile and fine grazing land.

We can save you at least 25 per cent on your Seed Peas, Beans and Cabbage, if you buy of us. We buy them in bulk and sell them accordingly. Don't buy your Peas, Beans, Beet and Cabbage Seeds by the package but buy from us by the pint or quart, and save money. Peery & Dodd.

On Friday night at the prayer meeting to be held at the Christian Church the doctrine of sanctification will be introduced as a subject for general discussion. The question is an interesting one, that is now engaging the attention of a great portion of the Christian world, and the prayer meeting on Friday night will, no doubt, be one of great interest.

Dr. Isaac Pierce, who made the dangerous mistake of taking a dose of solution of bichloride of mercury, as published in the REPUBLICAN of last week, did not die, as was expected. He is not in a satisfactory condition, however, and his friends are very much distressed about him. He has gained strength, but his nervous and mental condition is very unsatisfactory.

Messrs Charles McMullen and R. H. Patterson, of Scranton, Penn., who have large and valuable landed interests in McDowell County, West Virginia, spent several days at this place during the present and preceding weeks. They were here looking after their interests in this section, and left on Tuesday afternoon for Scranton. They both appear to be elegant gentlemen.

Peery & Dodd are overstocked with lamps and lamp goods. They have decided to reduce their stock by giving their customers the cheapest lamps ever sold in Tazewell. Read their display advertisement in the REPUBLICAN and you will be struck with prices.

The firm of Harrison, Surface & Co. has been dissolved, Mr. Surface going out. A new firm has been formed under the style of Harrison & Gillespie Bros., to conduct business at the same stand. Mr. W. G. Harrison, senior member of the concern, is now in New York, buying a supply of goods, and the readers of the REPUBLICAN will be made acquainted with the purpose of the new firm.

Meeting of County Supervisors. The Supervisors met on Friday, the 12th, and audited all outstanding accounts against the county. Drs. Gillespie & Hall were awarded the contract for the practice at the county farm for the next two years. Maj. Brittain and T. E. George, Esq., were appointed a committee for permanent representation to the Court House.

Athletic Honors For Tazewell Boys. Two of the Tazewell boys now attending the University of Va. are among the first in athletics at that institution. Ashby Henry has taken first prize in the Fairer weather Gymnasium, and James O. Keefe has been selected to play short stop on the University base ball team.

An Excellent Man Dies.

Mr. John Thompson Smith, one of Tazewell's worthiest citizens, died at his home, in Thompson Valley, on Sunday morning. He had been in bad health for some time, and his friends and relatives had been very solicitous about his condition. We had only enjoyed a slight acquaintance with the deceased, since we became a resident of the county, but from the opinions of his acquaintances and neighbors, which we have heard frequently expressed, Mr. Smith was a man of sterling character and an excellent citizen. The deceased leaves a wife, and two daughters, aged about 10 and 12 years, respectively. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and held in great esteem by his brethren. On Sunday afternoon funeral services were held at the home of the deceased, conducted by Rev. Thomas Mowbray, which services were attended by a large crowd of relatives and friends. At the conclusion of the services at the house the remains were buried in the family burial ground located on the home farm.

Eagles Trapped.

For some weeks eagles have been seen on the mountain just south of town, and recently they had been killing some of the young lambs of Col. A. J. May and Mr. H. W. Steele. Col. May has made up his mind to get rid of the troublesome birds. He made numerous efforts to get a shot at them, but failed to do so. As a last resort he went to trapping and good results have followed. He set two steel traps last Friday and tied a rooster close to them as a bait to attract the eagles. On Saturday morning he found the rooster killed and half eaten up, but no eagles. He placed the carcass of the rooster between the two traps, and on Sunday morning found a young grey eagle in each of the traps. The Col. thought he would try to bring the birds to town alive, but while attempting to handle one of them it seized his hands with its talons and drove its claws to the bone in the Colonel's hand. He killed the eagles immediately and brought their dead bodies to his office, where the heads and claws of the birds are now shown to his friends. Col. May has twenty-two steel traps out now, properly baited, as it is understood several more eagles are in the same vicinity.

County Court Proceedings.

County Court began its proceedings on Tuesday by empanelling the following as a special grand jury: A. M. Mallard, R. T. Bowen, B. F. Lewis, J. P. Whitman, I. M. Bailey, Jno. C. St. Clair and C. T. Griffiths. The jury brought in indictments against Eugene Shovellet for house breaking and William Logan for burglary. The jury was then discharged.

The court was occupied all day Tuesday and Wednesday trying the civil cause of A. A. Ferguson vs. D. A. Raney and others.

Services For The Odd Fellows.

On last Sunday Rev. J. N. Harman preached a sermon in the Christian Church to the members of Bluegrass Lodge No. 142, I.O.O.F. A large portion of the membership of the Lodge was present, having formed at the Lodge room and marched to the church in a body. The services were very interesting and instructive. Rev. Harman selected as the subject for his discourse the narrative of the man who traveled from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell among thieves and robbers, was neglected by Priest and Levite, but kindly cared for by the good Samaritan. The subject was well handled and gave much pleasure to the members of the order as well as the general congregation that filled the house. The services were concluded by celebrating the Lord's Supper.

Epworth League Meeting.

The regular literary meeting of the Epworth League was held at the Methodist parsonage on Monday night, by invitation from Mr. and Mrs. Martin. It is said the meeting was one of the most interesting and successful ones that has ever been held by the League. An excellent program had been prepared, and was well executed. The members were treated to nice refreshments by brother and sister Martin, and the occasion was quite a delightful one to all who were present.

Sacramental Meeting.

On last Saturday preparatory services to a sacramental meeting were held in the Presbyterian Church at this place, conducted by Rev. Thomas Mowbray, of Thompson Valley. On Sunday the sacramental services were held by Rev. W. W. Ruff, pastor of the church.

Encampment of I. O. O. F. To Be Instituted.

We are informed that an Encampment of Odd Fellows will be instituted at this place on Saturday night, the 20th inst. The work will be done by the Encampment at Pocahontas, and about forty persons have already signified their intention of joining the Encampment here.

Notice.

A meeting of the citizens of the town of Tazewell, is hereby called to meet in the court house on Saturday, March 20th, 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating a municipal ticket for the town for the ensuing year. J. A. GREEVER, Mayor. By order of Council.

Homicide in Pocahontas.

A man by the name of James Neff was killed at Pocahontas on Sunday morning by a woman named Mary Edwards, who is only sixteen years old and a woman of bad repute. She killed him with a pistol in a house of unsavory reputation, and was intoxicated at the time the crime was committed. Neff held a position as engineer in the mines, and had been regarded in the community as a very worthy man. He was about 25 years old. The woman is now in jail at this place.

Found Dead in His Bed.

Mr. Mike Burton, who lives near Unaka, about five miles east of town, was found dead in his bed yesterday morning. He had retired as usual the night before, and one of his little boys slept with him. Some one of the family went to wake him for breakfast and found him dead. Mr. Burton was about sixty years old and a blacksmith by trade. He was in town all day Tuesday and was apparently in good health. He leaves a wife and a large family of children.

A Wonderful Freak of Nature.

P. P. Dillon, Esq., of Pocahontas, is the owner of the most wonderful freak of nature in the way of an animal that is in the known world. It is a small, scrub bull, which he found in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky. The animal is two years old this spring, and has three nostrils, two natural faces, three natural horns, one in the middle of the forehead, and a mane on his neck like a horse. We are informed that Dr. G. H. Zimmerman and W. T. Pool, Esq. will be associated with Mr. Dillon in the ownership of the animal.

Matrimonial.

Mr. Wilk Witten, who is a thrifty young merchant at Sayersville, in this County, was married last week to Miss Minnie Wilson, daughter of Mr. T. O. Wilson, of Ceres, Bland County. The groom was accompanied to Bland by his cousin Mr. W. T. Witten, of this place, and several other friends. We learn that the occasion was a very enjoyable one to the guests who attended it. The bride and groom have come to Tazewell and taken up their residence at Sayersville.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the iron King, who was so seriously ill last week with pleurisy, is reported to be out of danger.

The lakes at the Denver City park will be stocked with carp, perch and bull-heads and the public will be allowed to angle for them.

The Missouri Senate has passed a bill appropriating \$1800 for the purpose of erecting a monument at the grave of Daniel Boone and wife who are buried in Warren County, Mo.

The State of Rhode Island scarcely big enough to make an average-sized Illinois county, is said to employ in its shops and factories 5000 children of school age at an average of \$1 per week.

HARRISSON & GILLESPIE BROS.

Successors to Harrison, Surface & Co.

Our Mr. Harrison is now in New York buying a complete stock of

Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats and Notions.

He will also purchase a larger and more complete line of

Ladies' and Misses' Ready Made Garments

Than has ever been brought to this place.

Look Out for future announcements in The Republican.

HARRISSON & GILLESPIE BROS.

THE PUGILISTIC BATTLE.

Fitzsimmons Wins in a Hard Fought Battle of Fourteen Rounds.

BOTH MEN BADLY BATTERED.

Fitzsimmons Wins Large Money and is the World's Champion.

From a telegram received here last night it seems that Fitzsimmons knocked Corbett out in the great fictic battle that came off at Carson, Nevada, on yesterday. Up to the eighth round, the last we heard, Corbett had decidedly the best of the fight, notwithstanding the fact that Fitzsimmons had already struck Corbett a foul blow. Fitzsimmons at that time was badly punished, and was bleeding freely, and Corbett was regarded as sure winner. What may have transpired in later rounds we are not informed. A very slight thing sometimes turns the tide of battle. It may be that Fitzsimmons got in one of his accidental blows, for which he is notoriously lucky, or that Corbett got careless. There have been conflicting reports, but we suppose there is no doubt that the battle was won by the Australian, who will now stand as champion pugilist of the world, as well as the winner of the biggest stakes ever gained in the prize ring.

STRAS MEMORIAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Services.

First and Third Sundays of the month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Holy Communion—First Sunday at 11 a. m.
Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m.

A hearty welcome is extended to all.
REV. W. D. BUCKNER, Pastor.

For Rent.

Boston & Sons have two rooms to rent, one on the 2d floor over their store and the other on the first floor of the building now occupied by Mr. V. L. Sexton. Both are front rooms and nicely located for offices.

Wanted at Once.

Six hundred persons to buy "Keystone Compound," for cleaning grease, paint, tar, etc. from silk, satin and woolen goods. Will do the work without injuring or discoloring the fabric.

TAZEWELL DRUG CO., Sole Agents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR CONSTABLE—By the request of my friends, I announce myself a candidate for Constable in Jeffersonville District, election in May.
Respectfully,
J. B. F. GILLESPIE.

FOR CONSTABLE—By request of my friends, I announce myself a candidate for Constable in Jeffersonville District, election in May.
Respectfully,
J. O. YOUNG.

Chapman & Thompson.

The claims of this store upon your interest are manifold. In every way possible we have made it a profitable and charming place for the women of this community and vicinage to do their shopping in. No convenience, no comfort, no advantage that might tend to make your visit beneath our roof pleasant has been slighted. Our aim has been to anticipate every reasonable need. How well we have succeeded, we leave for you to say. If a great and constantly growing trade be evidence of public appreciation, we are amply satisfied with your return for the efforts we have made in your behalf.

Some people need explicit enlightenment upon certain matters that are vital to themselves and to us. It is concerning prices that are current at this store. The mistaken idea still exists among a few that because our store is elegant and our qualities fine and our methods dignified that our prices are high. All these conditions

make the reverse actual.

It is within the limits of strict truth to say that we are selling dependable merchandise—merchandise that is absolutely guaranteed—for less money than inferior grades are charged for elsewhere.

The foregoing statement is more than a mere boast.

It is not a general or undemonstrable assertion. Come in and let us convince you. We are business men with clear visions.

We are not hankering to lose money. We know

positively that the only sustained success is created by an unbroken level of low prices.

It would be foolhardy for us to try for your patronage by any other persuasion. A nice store, a nice stock, nice attention and nice everything else would fall that were prices not right.

New customers and old ones are telling us every day that our prices ARE RIGHT.

Our Mr. Alexander is in New York today, and his purchases will be in our house next week. We'll have some nobby things for you this season.

Chapman & Thompson.

BUSTON & SONS,

ARE ALWAYS TO THE FRONT.

Garden Seed.

They have a full and choice stock of Garden Seeds for the trade. They come from the celebrated and reliable house of D. M. FERRY & CO. We will mention

Ferry's Extra Early Peas, Extra Early Beets, French Breakfast Radishes, Flat Dutch Cabbage.

All kinds of seeds suited to this climate, in large and small packages.

Fruits.

We have a splendid line of Evaporated Fruits. Prunes at from 6¢ to 12¢ per lb. Apricots, Peaches and Apples. Our Prunes at 6¢ per pound are a wonder.

BUSTON & SONS, Corner Marion Avenue and Main Street,

TAZEWELL, - - VIRGINIA.

VELVET \$3. Gal.

This famous brand is beyond all doubt the finest Rye produced at the price. We guarantee same. 6 full Qts. 4.50 per case.

L. Lazarus & Co.

CAROLINA CORN \$2

A two year old whiskey made in the State that bears its name. Made by old copper still open fire process.

L. Lazarus & Co.

OLD VA. GLADE 2.50

This is a elegant three year old Maryland Rye pronounced by experts to be A. 1.

L. Lazarus & Co.

GEORGIA CORN 1.50

Two years old, copper still by open fire process.

L. Lazarus and Co.

VA. WHITE RYE \$2.

Made in mountains of Virginia. A pleasant, soft and elegant drink.

L. Lazarus and Co.

APPLE BRANDIES AT

\$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3. & \$4.

Beware of Imitated Brands

By other dealers at supposed cut prices.

Your Money Back,

OUR GOODS GUARANTEED.

WRITE FOR PRICES.

L. Lazarus & Co.

Pocahontas, Va.

Prompt Attention to Mail Orders.

GENERAL NEWS.

President McKinley attended services at the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church at Washington last Sunday morning. The opening prayer was made by Bishop Hurst, which was closed with the following strong appeal to the Divine Ruler in behalf of the Cuban patriots and Cretan Christians: "Oh, Thou most merciful God, we pray Thee today for the struggling islands of Cuba and Crete, who are fighting to be freed from the oppressor. Break the chain of slavery, O God, that they may be free from the bonds of the oppressors, and make peace reign over all nations." There were many "amens" from the congregation as the appeal was finished.

President McKinley sent a message to both Houses of Congress on Monday. The key-note of the message is the passage of a revenue bill. He says sufficient revenue is the "imperative demand of the hour." He closes the message by saying: "Before other business is transacted let us provide sufficient revenue to faithfully administer the government without the contracting of further debt or the continued disturbance of our finances." The President also sent to the Senate Tuesday the following nominations: To be ambassadors extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the United States, John Hay, of the District of Columbia, to Great Britain; Horace Porter, of New York, to France.

The Holston National Building and Loan Association, of Bristol, Tenn., has been placed in the hands of a receiver. Maj. A. D. Reynolds, president of the association, has been appointed temporary receiver.

Ex-Secretary Olney has resumed the practice of law in Boston, and has been most warmly greeted by his professional associates in that city.

If you Want to Save Money

Buy your Hardware, Tinware, Corn Twine, Stoves, Baling Wire, Paints, Pumps and all kinds of plumbers' supplies, and have your plumbing done by the

TAZEWELL HARDWARE CO., Opposite Courthouse, Tazewell, Va.